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Attention: Director, Office of

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From:

William H. Webster Director

Subject:

INTELLIGENCE COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE PROGRAM FOR

THE SECOND SESSION OF THE 99TH CONGRESS

Reference is made to your memorandum dated September 13, 1985, in which you requested a listing and brief description of various legislative initiatives which we anticipate recommending during the next session of the 99th Congress.

AMENDMENTS TO THE FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

These amendments would better enable us to protect sensitive information and the identities of confidential sources from public disclosure.

EXCLUSIVE TERRORISM JURISDICTION

This proposal would provide discretion to the Attorney General or his designee to exercise exclusive jurisdiction for terrorist investigations.

EXPEDITIOUS DEPORTATION OF TERRORIST ALIENS

The FBI will continue to work with the Department of Justice in an effort to streamline the procedures by which aliens engaged in terrorist activities may be summarily deported.

Director Central Intelligence Agency

RIGHT TO FINANCIAL PRIVACY ACT AMENDMENTS

To require financial institutions to disclose requested records in foreign counterintelligence investigations.

PERMANENT UNDERCOVER AUTHORITIES

Current law, expressed in annual authorization bills, permits the FBI to be exempt from certain statutes if doing so is necessary to conduct undercover operations. We continue to advocate permanent exemption authority for undercover operations. We also recommend clear legislative authority to lease space, without disclosing the Government's involvement, for surveillances and monitoring Title III and Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act intercepts in other than undercover operations.

ACCESS TO TAX RETURN INFORMATION IN FOREIGN COUNTER-INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATIONS

Provide authority in foreign counterintelligence cases to receive tax return and taxpayer information regarding those individuals who are the subjects of those investigations.

ACCESS TO TELEPHONE TOLL RECORDS

Provide authority in foreign counterintelligence cases to receive telephone toll record information pursuant to national security letters which are being denied pursuant to certain state privacy statutes, especially in California.

FOREIGN EXECUTIVE EXCHANGE PROGRAM

This proposal would create statutory authority to budget funds for a foreign vistor exchange program similar to that in effect at other U. S. Government agencies.